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LOCAL BRIEFS

Trs. Gardner, of Carus, was in this Monday. Thomas Lewis, of Carus, was in this Tuesday. V. M. Kerns, of Mullno, was in this Tuesday.

burn, who have been in this city as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilson, have returned to their home.

Miss Howett, of Portland, was in this city Friday and Saturday visiting her sister, Miss Florence Hewett, who is teacher of the primary grade of the Mount Pleasant school.

to call between those hours and investigate our method and system. The parents of children already enrolled or interested are especially invited to be present.

TITO A Satire on the Advantages For Adoption of a Dog Over a Child By Mrs. Martha Burgess Copyright by American Press Association, 1911.

John Douglas and his wife, Maria, were not blessed with children. They determined to adopt a boy and after having come to the resolution conferred as to the most convenient age the little fellow should be.

"I think," said John, "you'll find that a baby will be a good deal of care. There's a colic period, and the child would have to be brought up on some kind of artificial baby food, and there's only a certain proportion of babies that live through their babyhood.

"It seems to me," replied Maria, "that unless we begin at the beginning and progress with the child we won't be used to him when he reaches that age. He'll be ready for the whooping cough and the measles and such diseases, and we won't be ready for him to have them."

The matter was discussed between them for a long while, Maria holding to the baby plan, John desiring to make the short cut, Maria yielded since she saw no way of getting a child at all unless she did, for John had seen comic pictures of men walking the floor at midnight with colicky babies and did not propose to submit to any such strain.

So they went to an orphan asylum and asked for a six-year-old boy. The matron, who had brought up a family, tried to induce them to select a stolid, slow moving little fellow who would sit all day playing with toys. But John preferred a bright boy with an intelligent eye.

The next morning after breakfast, when Maria had finished her household duties, she remembered Robert and made a search for him. He was nowhere to be found. She called for him not only in the house, but out of doors. Thinking he had strayed away, she telephoned John, who was at business, and John reported the fact to the police. When her mental

pot had reached the boiling point Maria heard a call from the top of the tallest tree in the yard and, going out there, saw her adopted son on the topmost branch. Calling for him to come down, she held her breath while he did so, every moment expecting to see him fall and lie a corpse at her feet. But he landed safely. He had been in the tree all the while, and when his foster mother asked him why he had not answered her call he fixed a pair of roguish eyes on her and said he had been "hidin'."

than a child" exclaimed John. "No child would have saved us as Tito has done." Maria made no reply. There were many ways in which Tito proved himself more adaptable to the wants of the Douglases than a child would have been.

John was a hard working man and gradually accumulated a little fortune, on the income of which he and Maria could live when he came to old age. One day John had trouble with a safety deposit company where he kept his securities and took them home with him, intending to rent another box the next day. He also drew his account, amounting to \$350, from the banking department of the concern and took that home too.

John made no reply. He had struggled for twenty years to accumulate a property that would support him and his wife in their old age or that he might feel that in case of his death she would be provided for, and he saw no comfort in its loss, especially since he had passed an age when a man usually finds himself indisposed to begin again.

Of course he reported the matter to the police. The sergeant at the desk questioned him closely and when John said that Tito had disappeared the sergeant said that it was possible the robber had made a mistake in carrying the dog off alive instead of dead. He might be identified by Tito in case the latter was recovered. He asked John's address and promised to notify him if any clew were discovered, but since nothing had been left behind by which to track him the chances of recovering the property were slight.

John was very much discouraged. "If it hadn't got ahead of the dog," he said, "we would have been alarmed by his bark." "Oh, a burglar never thinks of entering a house where there is a dog," said the sergeant, "without first eliminating the beast." Then he took down a minute description of Tito.

When John told Maria what the sergeant had said she declared that if Tito were alive she was sure he would lead to the discovery of the lost property. "That's just like a woman," said John. "She's always considering probable what she wishes to come to pass. My opinion is that the robber or robbers killed Tito and took his body away with them."

Months passed and nothing was heard of Tito or the lost property. Then one day a telephone message came to the Douglases that a dog had come into the possession of the police which answered to Tito's description. Would either Mr. or Mrs. Douglas come to the station and identify him? Maria lost no time in reaching the station, expecting to find Tito there. She was disappointed. The sergeant asked her to be seated and, taking up the desk telephone receiver, called up a police office in a distant city. When the party he wished to speak with replied the sergeant asked him to "bring the dog" to the phone and place the receiver near his ear. When the dog was reported in position Mrs. Douglas was asked to call Tito through the phone.

"Tito," she said in an affectionate tone; "Tito. Did they take Tito away from you?" A series of joyful barks came back to her that removed all doubt as to the identity of the dog. Nothing would satisfy the woman but that her husband, who was at business, should be connected by the wire with Tito that he might call the dog and hear his bark. This was done, and when Tito heard his master's voice he went wild with joy. "The way we got on to the dog," said the sergeant, "was this: A man who committed a burglary was tracked to his room, where he was arrested, and this dog was found there. His collar, on which you told us his name was cut, had been replaced by a cheap one. A large amount of property of different kinds has been recovered, and it is quite probable that yours may be among the rest."

And so it proved. All the missing securities were recovered and a part of the money. "I told you so," said Maria to John. "I knew Tito would be the means of recovering our fortune." "How did you know it?" asked John. "I just knew it; that's how." "I know one thing," replied the husband, "a dog for adoption beats a child all hollow."

M'CREIDIE PUTS TABOO ON BENNY HENDERSON

PORTLAND, Nov. 7.—(Special.)—It is not very likely that Benny Henderson, star pitcher, will be seen again in a Beaver uniform, if Manager Walt McCredie means what he says. Walt said today that he didn't think he would ever use Benny again, even if the national commission should forgive him (Henderson) for playing while under suspension.

National Association of Canada Will Cut Out Position of Rover. The National Hockey Association held a preliminary meeting held informally and secretly, recently arranged for changes in the rules to be adopted at the annual meeting the second week in November.

MORAN TO MEET DRISCOLL. Two Clever Englishmen Will Battle in London Dec. 2. Owen Moran and Jim Driscoll, the English featherweights, have signed articles for a twenty round bout at the Empire Skating palace, Birmingham, England, on Dec. 2. The purse is \$13,000, and a gold belt goes with it, while each man will bet \$2,000. The weight is 120 pounds at 2 o'clock.

The Welsh "Lian." Prefix "Lian" occurs in the names of more than 450 places in Wales. It is a Celtic word and signifies an inclosure.

WOODMEN ARRANGE BIG-MINSTREL SHOW

Plans are being made for the minstrel show to be given at the Shively opera house by the Woodmen of this city, Friday evening. Some of Oregon City's best musicians will participate. C. H. Wilson, who was interlocutor at the minstrel given last year, will act in that capacity at the coming entertainment. There will be several entertainers from Portland on the program. A good orchestra will be in attendance. The committee in charge consists of M. D. Phillips, Harold Swafford, Arch Ross, C. B. Wilson.

HOED RIVER APPLES ARE TO BE CANNED. HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—The latest thing in Hood River fruit for the public is canned apples, the big plant just installed by the Hood River Apple Vinegar Company having been started up today. The canning plant employs fifty hands and with labor-saving machinery also can turn out sixteen gallon cans of apples per minute. The apples used are culls which Hood River growers refuse to put on the market and when canned will go to bakeries and hotels for pies and apple sauce. Among them are the famous Spitzenbergs, Yellow Newtowns, Orleys and other varieties slightly blemished. This is the first year canning has been resorted to to work up the poorer quality of Hood River apples and the result is expected to be so successful that plans are already being discussed by the company to enlarge the apple canning department of its plant next year.

OREGON CITY HIGH TO PLAY NEWBERG. The Oregon City High School football team will play its most important game of the season, Saturday at Gladstone Park when it meets the Newberg High School team. The Newberg team has a good record and will give the high school a tussle. Coach Pringston is having the boys out every night at practice. The lineup for this game has not been decided yet, but probably will be announced today.

Willing to Wait. A little girl on being told by her mother that when a child died an angel came and took her up to heaven thought deeply for a moment, then said, "Ma, if an angel comes asking for me say I am not in."

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Prevaling Oregon City prices are as follows: HIDES—(Buying)—Green hide, 5c to 6c; mottled, 5c to 6c; dry hide, 12c to 14c; sheep pelts, 25c to 75c each. May, Grain, Feed. HAY—(Buying)—Timothy, \$12 to \$15; clover, \$8 to \$9; oat hay, best, \$9 to \$10; mixed, \$9 to \$12; alfalfa, \$15 to \$16.50. OATS—(Buying)—Gray, \$25 to \$27; wheat, \$32 to \$33; oil meal, \$65; Shady Brook dairy feed, \$1.25 per 100 pounds. FEED—Shorts, \$27 to \$28; rolled barley, \$27.50; process barley, \$28.50; whole corn, \$37; cracked corn, \$38; white, \$26 to \$27; bran \$27 to \$28. BUTTER, Poultry, Eggs. FLOUR—\$4.50 to \$5.25. BUTTER—(Buying)—Ordinary country butter, 25c to 30c; fancy dairy, 30c; creamery, 30c to 35c. POULTRY—(Buying)—Hens, 11c to 12 1/2; broilers, 11c. EGGS—Oregon ranch eggs, 35c to 40c. Fruits, Vegetables. DRIED FRUITS—(Buying)—Prunes on basis of 6 1/4 pounds for 45-50%. SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per sack; parsnips, \$1.25 to \$1.50; turnips, \$1.25 to \$1.50; Prunes, on basis of 6 1/4 for 45 and beets, \$1.50. POTATOES—Best buying 70c to 85c per hundred. ONIONS—Oregon, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per hundred; Australian, \$2 per hundred. Livestock, Meats. BEEF—(Live weight)—Steers, 5c and 5 1/2c; cows, 4 1/2c; bulls, 3 1/2c. VEAL—Calves bring from 5c to 12c, according to grade. MUTTON—Sheep, 3c and 3 1/2c; lambs, 4c and 5c. HOGS—125 to 140 pound hogs, 10c and 11c; 140 to 200 pounds, 10c and 10 1/2c. YOUNG PEOPLE MEET. The St. John's Young People's Club met at McLaughlin Hall Monday evening. About seventy members were in attendance. After business was transacted dancing was indulged in.

If Your Neighbor Has Electric Light and you have not, just step into his house some evening after dark and compare the light with your own. Study each point of convenience, cleanliness, clearness, beauty carefully and then figure out for yourself if it would not pay you well to have your house wired for electric light at once. Electric light is cheaper and better today than ever before. PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER CO. MAIN OFFICE 7th and Alder Streets